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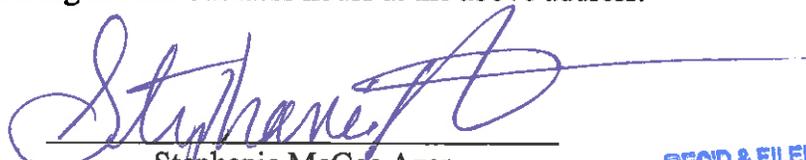
SUBJECT: AMENDMENT TO THE ALABAMA STATE PLAN FOR MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

The Alabama Medicaid Agency is proposing to amend its State Plan for Medical Assistance through a State Plan Amendment. This amendment will allow the Department of Mental Health to provide Targeted Case Management Services to Medicaid-eligible individuals who have a diagnosed substance use disorder or substance induced disorder, in accordance with criteria set forth by the most recent edition of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM) published by the American Psychiatric Association. The Agency anticipates an increase in expenditures in the amount of \$1,000,000 in total dollars annually due to this amendment. The Department of Mental Health has agreed to pay the entire state share.

This amendment will also allow edits to be made to the language in Target Groups 1 and 3. These edits include removal of outdated information related to the DSM and the addition of ICD-10 codes; as well as to allow case management services in multiple target groups with no duplication, and the requirement of all TCM providers to be Regional Boards incorporated under the Act 310 of the 1967 Alabama Act or the Department of Mental Health.

A copy of the proposed changes will be made available upon request for public review at each county office of the Department of Human Resources and the State Office of the Alabama Medicaid Agency.

Written comments concerning these changes are welcome and should be mailed to Administrative Secretary, Alabama Medicaid Agency, 501 Dexter Avenue, P. O. Box 5624, Montgomery, Alabama 36103-5624. All written comments will be available for review by the public during normal business hours at the above address.


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